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POPULAR IN THE SOUTH.

Boston Periodical Advises Trial of Two Good Recipes.

A southern cousin has sent us two recipes of peculiarly southern dishes that will be appreciated, says the Boston Herald. There's been an aroma about southern cooking that is not entirely justified, for many's cookery doesn't always spell the toothsome ness that we are inclined to think. These two may, though try them and see.

A Potato Dish.—Eight potatoes, one spoonful of flour, yolks of two eggs, two teaspoonsfuls of vinegar, two tablespoonsfuls of butter, salt and pepper. Boil the potatoes as usual, take out of the water and set on the side of the stove to drain; take off and pour over them the following sauce:

Blend one tablespoonful of flour and two of butter; as it melts add about three large tablespoonsfuls of water; let it come to a boil, take off the stove and add the yolk of one egg which has been beaten very light. Add two teaspoonsfuls of vinegar. Beat well and pour over the potato and serve either hot or cold as a salad.

Stewed Kidneys à la Creole.—Three kidneys one cup of water, one-half spoonful of butter, one wineglass of sherry, salt and pepper to taste, one sprig each of parsley, thyme and bay leaf, chopped very fine. Select perfectly fresh kidneys, wash them well and slice thin. Season with salt and pepper. Beat one-half tablespoonful of butter into the saucepan, when melted and very hot add the kidneys and chopped herbs, being very careful to stir constantly and very fast to prevent burning. Add the sherry, if possible, and the cup of water or the consommé. Let it boil once and at no time should they be allowed to boil.

JAVELLE WATER EASILY MADE.

Will Remove from Fabrics Most Obstinate Stains of Fruit.

Javelle water is sold by most druggists, but it is not difficult to make and is much less expensive when prepared at home. Every laundress should use it, as it is effective in keeping linen and children's dresses free from fruit stains. A small teacup of the fluid added to a boiler of water will assist materially in keeping the clothes white and will not hurt them in the least. The most obstinate stains of fruit, tea, coffee, etc., in the tablecloth and napkins will succumb to an application of one part javelle water diluted with four parts of soft water. If the stained article is soaked in this fluid for several hours, thoroughly washed and rinsed, it will usually come out perfectly white and clean. Only white goods can be treated this way, however, as javelle water is likely to fade colors. It is made thus: Place four pounds of bicarbonate of soda in a large granite or porcelain lined pan and pour over it four quarts of hot water. Stir with a stick until the soda has dissolved, add a pound of chloride of lime and stir till this has dissolved. Allow the liquid to cool in the pan, strain the portion through a thin cloth into wide mouthed jugs or bottles, and cork tightly for use. The part that contains the sediment also may be bottled and used for cleaning the sink, kitchen table, etc.

PICKLED WALNUTS.

The pickling of walnuts is one of the old-time bits of housewifery that has almost passed into disuse. Here is an excellent recipe:

Cover with very strong brine and keep the nuts in this for three days; drain and recover with brine. At the end of three days drain again and leave in fresh cold water for six hours. Bring to boil a gallon of vinegar. In which you have stirred a cupful of sugar, two tablespoonsfuls each of whole cloves and peppercorns, a tablespoonful of cinnamon and eight blades of mace. Boil for ten minutes, pack the nuts in a crock and pour the scalding vinegar over them. At the end of three days drain off the vinegar, bring it to the boil and pour it again over the nuts. Cover and set aside for six weeks before eating.

Pretty Ribbon Cases.

Two neat cases to hold the baby ribbons of narrow and broader widths which are employed to thread the garments may be made of a handkerchief. This should be divided in half and each portion folded over so that the hemstitch or lace border reaches to within two inches of the top. The edges should be oversown and the pocket divided into three compartments. A bodkin should be slipped into one of the compartments so as to always be at hand, while the ribbons of different colors may be wound visiting cards, and these should be slipped into the pockets, the whole folded over and secured with a ribbon.

Use of Scrapbooks.

To keep clippings where they can be read readily it is a good idea to have several cheap scrapbooks, devoting one each subject. One book may be used for recipes; a second for games and entertainments; garden hints may take a third; fancy-work suggestions another. One with poetry, or another with funny sayings and pictures may brighten some hours for an invalid. A strong manila envelope should be pasted in each book, where the clippings may be filed when cut out, until there is an opportunity to paste them in the book.

FOR THE HOME-MADE RUG.

Economical and Durable Floor Covering Easily Made.

For a rug collect about 25 now-hands of flannel rags and dye them the desired shades, tear into strips about an inch wide. These must be neatly sewed together, overlapping about half an inch so that the joining is strong.

Now procure a length of cotton rope and commence to crochet the flannel strips over the rope.

This is begun in the center, 130 any crocheted wheel for a chair back.

A large wooden crochet hook may be obtained from a needlework shop. The stitch of double crochet is used over the rope with the crocheted flannel.

As you go along the crochet is inserted into the previous row, so that the circle grows with every pull of the needle.

In using two colors the paler shade should be used until the circle is about a foot across. Then use the darker shade until you have gone five rounds around the ring.

Return again to the paler color, repeating the alternate colors until the flannel is all used up, or the rug is the desired size, leaving the darker shade at the edge of the rug.

These are very economical to make, and are very quickly done, and are among the most durable of any of the home-made rugs as the rope makes such a hard, strong surface before it is covered with the flannel.

J. E. BRADLEY,
County Commissioner.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Salt toughens meat if added before it commences to cook.

Wash over the undercurst of a pie with the white of an egg, not beaten, to prevent its being soggy.

In order to prevent milk from burning while being boiled first rinse the saucepan thoroughly with cold water and rub it with a little fresh butter before pouring in the milk.

Fill a burnt saucepan with cold water to which some soda has been added. Allow the water to boil slowly to a boil, when the burnt portion of the pan may be scraped clean. A handful of wood ashes added to the water will aid the cleansing.

In buying pumice stone upon which to pour perfume extracts to use in drawers and on shelves the broken lumps-in-their-natural-state should be selected. The variety of pumice stone that is finely powdered and compressed into cakes is too closely packed to enable the liquid to penetrate and be retained.

Browned Potato Soup.

Pare and cut into thick slices ten large potatoes and leave them in cold water for an hour. Dry them between two towels and brown in butter, cotton or in oil. They should be

boiled until the potatoes are boiled soft. Add a tablespoonful of browned flour rolled in butter. Rub through a colander, return all to the kettle, season with pepper and salt and a table spoonful of minced parsley.

Have ready in another vessel a cupful of scalding milk, add a pinch of soda, and a minute later, two well-beaten eggs. Pour the potato broth into a tureen or bowl, stir in the milk and eggs and serve.

A most palatable puree. Some cooks omit the browned flour, but it gives a richer color to the soup and prevents wateriness.

Drawing-Room Cushions.

Cushions meant for drawing-room use are made of handsome dull-finished silk, velvet or satin, and covered with a network of gold braid put in diamonds. In each diamond there is a basket filled with flowers, a bouquet, a bunch of fruit or simpler decoration done in ribbon work. The designs are sometimes put on alternately, a stiff bouquet of varicolored flowers alternating with a basket filled with similar blossoms. The bouquets are usually tied with a gold cord which extends to one of the diamond corners. The cushions are finished with a ribbon work or small ball fringe and sometimes also with a ruffle of gold lace.

A Daily Thought.

There is one straight road to success, and that is merit. The man who is successful is the man who is useful. Capacity never lacks opportunity. It cannot remain undiscorded, because it is sought by too many anxious to utilize it. A capable man on earth is more valuable than any precious deposit under the earth, and the object of a much more vigilant search. —W. Bourke Cockran.

Doing Business Again.

"When my friends thought I was about to take leave of this world, on account of indigestion, nervousness and general debility," writes A. A. Christison, Treadwell, N. Y., "and when it looked as if there was no hope left, I was persuaded to try Electro Bitters, and I rejoiced to say that they are curing me. I am now doing business again as of old, and am still as spry as when I was young."

We are perfectly reliable and trust you to our Postmaster.

Businessmen and the footer of this paper after you. If you order a pair of tires, we will find that they will fit easier, run faster, wear better, last longer and look better.

These tires are guaranteed to stand up to the best standard.

We know that you will be well pleased that what we offer is a guarantee of quality, hence this remarkable tire offer.

COASTER TIRES.

Every car needs a set of tires. We will give you a cash discount on the price charged by dealerships. Write or call SUNDAY evening.

DO NOT WAIT.

Buy now or get a part of tires from anyone until you know the new and wonderful ones we are having. It only costs a postal to mail everything. Write NOW.

HEAD CYCLE COMPANY, Dept. "J L" CHICAGO, ILL.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice of teachers' examination to be held in Grayling, June 20 and 21 at the court house. The questions will be along the following lines:

Reading—"Speech on Conciliation of American Colonies."—Burke.

Arithmetic—Percentage with its various applications; measurement, surfaces, solids, square root, cubical root, mental analysis; commercial knowns.

Grammar—Nouns and their inflections; adverbs, comparison, and all forms, and uses verbs and all the modifications; sentence study, syntax; analysis; intonations, particles, gerunds.

Geography—Mathematical geography; circums, zones, latitude, longitude, etc.; seasons, day and night, etc.

Plateaus, divides; Europe, division, physiography, resources, transportation, commerce, education, government, mining.

Civil Government—United States constitution, laws, etc.; congress, consular service, ambassadors.

United States History—A study of the Declaration of Independence and its effects; a study of the Constitution, and its effects, the establishment of banks, and the subsequent history of banking; legislation since the Civil War, features of present progress; Michigan history.

SECTION 1. It shall not be lawful to take, catch or kill any fish, by any means whatsoever from the waters known as Portage Lake, in Crawford county, and to regulate the time and manner of taking and catching fish therefrom, and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions thereof.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

AN ACT for the protection of fish in the waters of Portage

Lake, in Crawford county, and to regulate the time and manner of taking and catching fish therefrom, and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions thereof.

WHEREAS default having been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the 13th day of November A. D. 1905, executed by Philip G. Carter of Detroit, Michigan to Alfred W. Harrington, of Grayling, Crawford county, Michigan, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Crawford county, Michigan in Liber B of Mortgages on page 510 on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1905, at 9 o'clock a.m.

And whereas the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is two hundred and fifty (\$250.00) dollars, principal and eighteen and 45-100 dollars (18.45) interest and the further sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) as an attorney fee stipulated for in said mortgage, and no suit at law or in chancery having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining unpaid, secured by said mortgage, whereby the power of sale in said mortgage has become operative.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and in pursuance of the statutes in such case made and enacted by the Legislature of the State of Michigan, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, the same to be held at public auction to the highest bidder therefor, at the front door of the Court House, in the village of Grayling, Crawford county, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the said county on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1907, at 10 o'clock of said day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as the north half of the northwest quarter (n $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$) of section six (6), except ten (10) acres in the southwest corner of said described land, in township twenty-six (26) north of range three (3) west, containing fifty-four and 82-100 acres (54 $\frac{1}{2}$ -100) more or less, according to the government survey thereof.

LAWRENCE C. HARRINGTON,

Att'y for Plaintiff.

M. A. HATTON, Sec.

March 7 1907

ALFRED W. HARRINGTON,

Mortgagor.

J. E. BRADLEY,

County Commissioner.

Approved March 14, 1907.

Fishing on Portage Lake.

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And whereas the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is two hundred and fifteen (\$150.00) dollars, principal and interest, and the further sum of thirty-five dollars as an attorney fee, and no suit at law or in chancery having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining unpaid, secured by said mortgage, whereby the power of sale in said mortgage has become operative.

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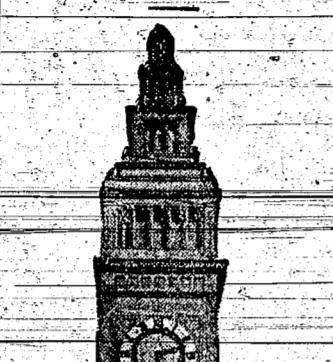
CHINA RUSES TO CRUSH OPUM TRAFFIC



deceived him, and was not a princess, but merely a risen mouse.

"Let her body remain in the well," he advised. "Fill up the well with earth. Out of her flesh will grow a tree, which shall be called for her 'Piso,' the poppy tree. From that tree will come a drug, opium, which shall be smoked and eaten till the end of time. The opium swallowers or smokers will have one quality of each of the animals to which Postomani was transformed. He will be, mischievous like a mouse; bold or mild, like a cat; quarrelsome, like a dog; filthy, like an ape; savage, like a bear; and highly tempered, like a queen." All the attributes have been possessed by some opium users, and some of them by all.

FRISCO'S FERRY CLOCK AGAIN TELLS THE TIME.



The most promising feature of the campaign against the opium habit is the attitude of the press of China and of the better elements generally. There does not seem to be a single protest against the philanthropic scheme of the government. A healthful tone is noticed in most influential quarters. For some time persons in China have been speaking with contempt of the government officials addicted to the use of the drug. The best object lesson shown to China for years is the foreign-trained army, from which the opium habit has been eradicated.

It is with the government officials themselves that the Chinese government will start. All worshipful officials, princes, dukes, viceroys and Tartar generals have been ordered to pledge their word to the imperial government that they are willing to abandon the use of the drug directly or indirectly, within a stipulated time.

Opium users aged more than 60 years are to be treated leniently, as it is recognized by the government that the habit is a prop for many of them that it would be equivalent to ruining their lives if the prop were snatched away. Old officials will be allowed to try the tapering off system of reform.

If the younger men are so prone to the habit that they will be unable to do their work during the renaissance era, they will be allowed to substitute others for their duties temporarily.

Shops dealing in opium and opium dens must close their doors finally within six months. Confirmed opium fiends must be given their medicinal prescriptions gratuitously, so that there will be no financial returns for dealers. All persons, government officers or not, under three score, must decrease their consumption of opium 20 per cent every year, beginning immediately. No poppy is to be cultivated after ten years.

The acreage now under cultivation is to be decreased 10 per cent every year, and, of course, no new land is to be cultivated in the poppy plant. Violation of the rules as to acreage will be taken by the government as cause for confiscation of the fields. The amount raised and consumed is to be registered; only registered persons are to be allowed to obtain the drug, and no person must begin the habit.

Altogether there are eleven regulations of the most stringent kind. It has been said that, in a way, they are the most important ever issued for the control of the internal life of the empire. The edict is already in force. The country is stirring in its sleep.

Figures show with only too much plausibility the magnitude of the task which China has undertaken. Knowing, for instance, a Chinese city with a population about as large as that of Cambridge, consumes every day about \$4,000 worth of opium. The average wages of a laborer are from \$5 to 10 cents a day. Every man, woman and child in the old walled town spends a cent a day on opium. It is all equivalent to a laborer earning \$2 a day, spending more than fifty cents a day.

The wealthy families in many districts spend more proportionately than the poor. It is related that a boy in a rich family is allowed a dollar a day for the drug. The millionaires have their splendid opium parlors, and the women and children acquire the habit. The product of the poppy plant is the great lever of China.

Legend of the Poppy Plant.

The poppy plant has been known to man from time immemorial. It did not make its appearance in the flora of China until about the eighth century of the Christian era. But the beginning of the fifteenth century, opium began to be introduced in considerable quantities, and the Chinese government encouraged home production. By the middle of the seventeenth century the use of the drug was widespread.

The origin of opium has been told in a picturesque manner by the Bengalis. Their legend says that in the far-off times there lived on the banks of the Ganga a sage who had a mouse for a companion. The sage taught the mouse to talk. Frightened one day by a cat, the mouse asked to be changed into a cat. The sage complied. A dog worried the cat, so the sage made the cat a dog. The dog became successively an ape, a bear, an elephant, and finally a beautiful maiden, named "Postomani," or "Poppyseed lady." A king fell in love with the girl. When she told him, after an ardent wooing, that she was a servant, he married her. One day she fell into a well and was drowned. The king was disconsolate but was informed by the sage that the girl had

humorously says, the only safe place for him is a glass case."

Captain Vetro, an American, is a "freak" of another order, for he can make a hearty meal or poisons which would provide work for quite a large number of undertakers if others were to partake of it. Not long ago in Berlin he sat down to a dinner which consisted of a plate of verdigris, a liberal portion of ultramarine and a "compo" of sulphur and borax, followed by a dessert of white sulphur. These edibles were washed down by a bottle of patent rat killer, made of powdered glass, arsenic and atropine. This meal he devoured with evident enjoyment, to the amazement of the government officials and doctors who looked on.

William H. Mack is perhaps the only one-living who can defy the law of gravitation. Although he weighs but 125 pounds, a dozen strong men cannot raise him an inch from the ground and an entire football team has failed to push him off the edge of a platform.

DO WOLVES EAT MEN?

Most of the Yarns to That Effect Declared to Be Fakes.

A skeptical person, calling himself St. Croix, has been trying to find out whether wolves and bears are maligned by the popular stories of their man-eating ways.

First he tried running down the stories told in newspaper dispatches. Followed in this effort, he turned to the Indians. They knew the gray wolf, having wintered and summered with him. Had they ever known of an Indian being killed by one? "No," but Mingan was very crafty and very much to be dreaded.

Quite so, but once for all, had he ever to their knowledge killed a man? No, but they had heard—So it went, always the same intangible, unconfirmed rumor and the same absence of proof.

"Now for a few facts as to the wolf," writes St. Croix in *Recreation*. "He can go eight days without food and eat then eat forty pounds of meat at a sitting, so the Indians say. This is pretty fair for an animal weighing but eighty pounds. Yet we do not know the length of the sitting.

"The wolf will not venture on glare ice, he never crosses a lake until there is enough snow to hide the ice. To wading his feet he is as averse as the domestic cat. He will not kill his game in the shelter of the forest, always driving it into some open place for the kill."

"When chasing a deer he goes at a leisurely lope, sitting down at intervals to give the most dolorous and blood curdling howl. This drives the poor victim into a wild gallop and soon exhausts it and as the wolf never tires he is sure sooner or later to catch up with the quarry.

"In winter the deer often makes for some wild rapid into which it plunges, knowing that the wolf will not follow. Too often the deer drowns, but better such a death than one by the fangs."

"In summer a couple of wolves will secure all the deer they need by very simple tactics. Having put up the quarry, one wolf abides it by easy stages to some little lake—I speak now of the Laurentian country—and on reaching the shore the deer plunges unhesitatingly in for its instant toll. If the enemy will not dare to follow."

"So on it swings while the pursuer sits on his haunches and howls distractingly, no doubt because he sees his dinner escaping. At length the tired deer drags itself wearily from the water and shakes the drops from its coat on the sun-warmed strand. Then the companion wolf which has waylaid its coming, springs at its throat and when the first wolf joins them have a gorging that makes them independent of fate for a whole week."

Arithmetical History.

A teacher was instructing a class of young pupils in history, says a writer in the *Philadelphia Bulletin*. She asked one of them how many wars England fought with Spain.

"Six," the little girl answered.

"Six," repeated the teacher. "Enumerate them, please."

"One, two, three, four, five, six," said the little girl, cheerfully and confidently.

W. J. Spillman.

Surmounting an Obstacle.

"Do you know," the poet was asked, "there is no rhyme for 'month'?"

"Get out!" he responded. "What's the matter with this?"

"A note is made for thirty days,

And sometimes the indorfer pays?"

"What's that got to do with it?"

"Why, you chump, thirty days is a month!"—*Philadelphia Ledger*.

The man who takes himself seriously usually marries a woman who doesn't.

OPENING OF THE MARBLE SEASON.



low the tomatoes and later wheat or some other grain crop with grass and clover. Many farmers expect to get good tomatoes upon thin, sour land.

Blight and disease in unfavorable seasons are always rampant upon such land and the grower becomes discouraged and is convinced that his soil is unsuitable for the crop when, in reality, the failure is due to a condition readily rectified by the application of lime and manure.

Labor-Saving in Crop Growing.

At the meeting of the National Association of Agricultural Implement and Vehicle Manufacturers, the statement was made that in 1890 more than three hours of labor were required in growing a bushel of wheat, but that in 1896 the labor required amounted to less than ten minutes; that a bushel of corn represented four and one-half hours' work in 1860 and forty minutes' work in 1904. Modern machinery plants and harvests crops at a cost of one-half what was paid fifty years ago, though the men who operate the machines receive double the wages. American machinery is being introduced into

the Philippines and is a continual wonder to the natives. Last year a steam threshing machine was imported. The natives who used the threshing got so much more grain than those who did not use it that many of them conceived the idea that rice was hidden inside of the separator, and allowed to flow from the spout of the machine.

The Logan Berry.

This hybrid berry, originated some years ago in California, bids fair to dispense in the markets of the Pacific coast the old Lawton blackberry, and to some extent the red raspberry. The hybrid is a cross between the two, and combines the good qualities of both. It is very popular with housewives, the plants are enormously prolific and propagate readily, and the cultivation on an extensive scale for the markets of the Pacific northwest is planned. This berry shows a wonderful evolution in the fruit industry within a few years. While the strawberry has arrived as an uncooked table berry, an abundance of logan berries would make it possible to do without blackberries and raspberries—even including the wild blackberry—without missing them. The development of this berry and the rapidity with which it has come into market would be phenomenal had not the experiment of Luther Burbank the planter who has done so much for housewives, the plants are extremely prolific and easy to grow.

Experiments made in France with the sunflower give a return of 1,775 pounds of seed from an acre, yielding 15 per cent of oil (about 220 pounds) and 80 per cent of cake. The product varies, of course, with the kind, the climate and the soil. The common oil is used chiefly for woolen dressing, lighting and soap-making in Europe. The purified article is largely employed for table use, and is considered by some as equal to olive oil.

For very large-hung baskets the brazier vine is very satisfactory. It is best not to give it very rich soil; its growth will not be so strong, but the leaves will be closer together and also be more attractive. Pinch it back mercilessly until the basket or trellis is covered with foliage. After that let a few vines grow, allowing some to droop and others to train up along the wire or strings, suspending the basket. Keep the glossy leaves clean and the result will be a handsome basket, and charming plant.

Rye for Pasture and Sodding.

Rye is not half-appreciated by the American farmer. It is very hardy, will grow on the poorest land, makes good winter and spring pasture and if sown early enough makes good fall pasture. It is a good early spring sowing crop. It makes a fair quality of hay. It cuts clean or before, and it always sets at good prices and makes the best of bedding for cattle and sheep. It is also an excellent green manure crop for turning under in early spring. While it does not add nitrogen, as the clovers do, it makes a great deal of humus, and thus improves the texture of worn-out soils. It will grow in any section that can grow any of the small grains. Where corn or potatoes or cowpeas are grown after corn, rye may be sown in the corn at the time by "laying by" or may be sown on the stubble after the corn is cut and be plowed under in the spring for any of the crops mentioned.

W. J. Spillman.

Fertilizers for Potatoes.

Potash is the principal plant food preferred by the potato crop, and phosphoric acid is likewise an indispensable necessity, that is, so far as tubers are concerned. But the tops are also to be made for without good growth may be sown the same season, and if properly cured and stored it does not stumble so readily. It is an excellent clean fertilizer for lawns and may be fed in the bundle, or cut into short lengths. Peas answer best early in the season, and are suitable for cattle and sheep. They are usually sown with oats and eat directly from the field to the stock, in the yards, under the sowing method. Such a crop may be fed and gotten out of the way for a late corn fodder crop, or for turnips. In attempting to grow two crops on the same location, however, the land must be manured heavily, or it will be injured, though the exhaustion will not be so great as when such crops are allowed to mature and produce seeds.

Iowa's Dairy Interests.

According to the twentieth annual report of the Iowa State Dairy Commissioner, H. R. Wright, Iowa shipped out of the State in 1905, using round numbers, 91,000,000 pounds of butter, and in 1906, 98,185,000 pounds. In 1906 Woodbury County shipped the largest number of pounds, amounting to 6,242,000 pounds. The county that shipped the second largest amount was Polk County, viz., 5,118,000 pounds. During the last seven years there has been a gradual increase in the number of pounds of butter shipped out of the State. In 1900 shipments amounted to 71,710,000 pounds, and in 1905 to 98,185,000 pounds. From the standpoint of butter shipments, therefore, the State of Iowa is growing.

In 1905, 10,130 head separators were used in the State of Iowa, while in 1906, 58,030 were in use. In 1905, 82,000 pounds of butter were made in the State of Iowa as compared with 91,200 pounds in 1906. In the same manner the number of creamery plants increased from 85,000 in 1905 to 91,867 in 1906.

Soils for Tomato Raising.

Almost any soil from sand to clay will produce good crops of tomatoes, says a Maryland bulletin, but here again extremes should be avoided and except under special conditions, such as where very early markets are to be supplied, it will be better to avoid the very light sandy soils. The soil must be in a good state of cultivation. Manures, fertilizers, lime, and the growing of clover or other legumes all help to bring about this condition. If a soil field is to be used, plow in the hills or rows is preferred by some. Before planting the tubers cut and roll them in plaster. Cut a week before planting and they will sprout the sooner for it. Use manure green for the bugs, let it be mixed with plaster. Wood ashes may also be used liberally on potatoes, broadcasted on the surface.

Keep down the grass and weeds, as they rob the potatoes of moisture at all times. Give plenty of room to each plant in which to grow, and keep the cultivator busy.

Odds and Ends.

New York City expenses for this year will be \$37,000 more a day than they were last year.

The only substitute for San Domingo mahogany is that of East India.

Postal developments in China has necessitated a revision in the spelling of Chinese city names.

Without the aid of a glass, an Australian is said to have written 10,000 words on a postal card.

The Germans consume 108.5 pounds of meat a head in a year, the English 118.4 pounds per head.

William street, in New York City, was known as "Horse and Cart street" back in the eighteenth century.

Sunday School.

LESSON FOR APRIL 21.

Joseph Sold by His Brothers—Gen. 37:28.

Golden Text.—For where envy and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.—James 3:16.

On the death of Isaac, Jacob became the head of the clan. It would not have been surprising if Esau, who had grown so powerful that he could summon 400 men to his command, had quarreled with Jacob as to who should have the pastures.

But Esau seems to have given up completely to Jacob what was regarded as part of the birthright. At any rate, we see that instead of claiming the home pastures as his, Esau took "all his substance" which he had got in the land of Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob. For their flocks were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle. Thus dwelt Esau.

Mount Seir: Esau is Edom.

Note the word "cattle": as here used is an old English word equivalent to our "live stock." Also note that the Edomites, descendants of Esau, were to meet the Israelites after their escape from Egypt and that the Israelites were taught to regard the Edomites as of close kinship to themselves and to treat them very differently from the nations inhabiting the land of Palestine.

At the time of our lesson Joseph was over seventeen years old. How much over we are not told. When he interpreted Pharaoh's dreams he was thirty years old.

There were at least two reasons why Joseph should have been especially dear to his father. For one thing Rachel was Jacob's dearest wife, the woman whom he had first wanted for a wife and whom Laban had withheld by means of a trick, putting the veiled Leah in her place. For another thing Joseph was the youngest son with the exception of Benjamin; and oftentimes there is a close friendship between very young people and very old people that is more sympathetic than between those whose ages are more nearly alike. One notable case of our times was that of Gladstone and his granddaughter, Dorothy Drew.

That was really the cleverest, and kept using it for three months.

At the end of that time my health was restored, my nerves no longer troubled me, and I felt myself once more and able to assume my social position. I certainly feel that *Peruna* is deserving of praise.

There are many reasons why women break down, why their nervous systems fail, and they have systemic or pelvic catarrh. Indeed, they are specially liable to those ailments. No wonder they require the protection of Peruna. It is their shield and safeguard.

Genius.

Mrs. Kawnor—How is Johnny getting along as a grocer's clerk?

Mrs. Crossway—Well enough, I guess.

He can tie up a package with a knot that you can't untie to save your life, and yet it will

Crawford Avalanche.

O. PALMER, Editor and Proprietor.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, APR. 18

Can the Philippines be Neutralized.

It is reported from Washington, on apparently serious if not official authority, that the administration has actually begun to feel the pulses of foreign powers to ascertain how they would regard a proposal to establish the Philippine Islands as an independent and neutral state. It is even said that the suggestion is receiving favorable consideration in many international quarters. Before accepting this latter statement it might be just as well to wait for verified facts. Such a proposal by the American government as that mentioned would be nothing more nor less than a request to other powers to take upon their united shoulders a burden which has commenced to chafe our own, and that without any sort of compensation for their trouble. So far as the principal European powers are concerned, the Philippines are in a position almost ideal. Their possession by the United States takes them absolutely out of the path the rival ambitions and assures all the great powers that they will never be used as a weapon against any of them. Even Japan could not suggest a disposition of them more advantageous to herself than the existing one. It is doubtful if Spain, who sold them to us for \$20,000,000 would accept them back on any terms.

While the neutrality of the islands might be just as satisfactory to the powers concerned in the Orient, it would not be so easy. It would cost each of them some exertion, and might in the case of Filipino disorders compel them all, or some mandatory of them all, to send troops and fleets there to restore and preserve the peace. It began that way with Egypt but it would not work. England had to take over the job all by herself finally, and that is what would probably happen in the Philippines. England is the only power on earth who has the power to do it in the face of the whole world, and whose statements know how to manage such countries properly. That being the case, might it not be better to begin where the affair is likely to end and turn the island over to England at once for a price which England alone can pay her islands in the West Indies and her colony near the mouth of the Orinoco in South America. In suggesting this solution the other day, we said its realization would clear another great European power off this continent and bring us within sight of the accomplishment of the dream of Mr. Seaward; when no foreign flag would fly anywhere in America between the poles. We expressly excepted Canada, which is in all intents and purposes an independent American republic, with a government as free as our own, and considerably more responsive to the will of her people. It is only a question of time when the silken thread which connects, not binds, her to a European power will be severed with the fullest good will of both.

With her enormous interests in Asia, England should find the Philippines of ten times the value to her empire than her petty colonies in the West Indies and South America are. She should be glad to make the exchange, and it would be much better for the people of the exchanged territory on both sides as well as for the permanent interests of the two governments—Detroit News.

Succotash as a Soiling Crop.

In February, 1906, the Experiment Station issued a bulletin written by Prof. R. S. Shaw, on the subject of Succotash as a Soiling Crop. The attention of farmers is called to this bulletin since it suggests various mixtures to be sown early in the spring for use during the summer when the pastures dry up. A weight of forage equal to 12.16 tons per acre was secured from a mixture of grains such as suggested below. Moreover, this weight of forage was secured early in the season, 70 days from the date of sowing. The forage was cut when the oats were badly lodged and the peas in a cooking stage. The mixture sown consisted of oats, peas, rape, clover and corn. The later growth of the clover and rape was fairly good although hindered by the lodging of the first crop. By October first the clover and rape were one foot high.

After the ground had been prepared for seeding a mixture of rape and clover, equal parts, were sown broadcast on the land by hand, using one pint of each to one-third acre. The corn, beans and oats in equal parts, by measure, were then mixed and sown with an ordinary grain drill at the usual depth, which operation covered the rape and clover lightly. The seeding was made on May 1st and the second seeding on another on some other road supplants it in the public mind. The much vaunted block system in several bad wrecks during the year seem to have proved totally ineffective as preventative of collisions, while too high a rate of speed seems to have been responsible for at least two others. Either our railway systems are becoming too intricate and complicated for safety, or else trains on many roads are being run with a total disregard for the safety of the traveling public.

Johannesburg Jottings.

R. Partridge returned home last week after a weeks visit in Saginaw and Bay City.

Wm. Hutchinson went to Newberry last week where he secured a position with E. E. Remington formerly of this place. Billy will be missed by the men around town.

Wm. Renish had the misfortune to lose a valuable cow and yearling last week. Frozen potatoes and cabbage did not agree with them.

Mrs. Bessie Bierd left for Wolverine last week to join her husband, who secured a position there the first of the month.

W. S. Claggett was confined to the house a few days last week with a severe attack of the Grippe. Ralph managed the store during his father's absence.

Theodore Gutridge went to Gaylord last Saturday on business. He will raise potatoes again this summer.

Miss McIntyre of Saginaw, a niece of R. Partridge will visit here for a few weeks.

Mrs. A. P. W. Becker of Grayling, mother of our banker, came up last Monday to see the baby and have a little visit with Papa and Mamie. Grandma's are always welcome.

Mr. Leon Babbitt and sisters who live down the AuSable river came home with Mr. and Mrs. Stevens last Monday. Their visit was short as they returned the same day.

J. K. Merz made a flying business trip to Saginaw and Bay City last Saturday, returning Monday morning.

The entertainment given by the High School was a complete success in every way. Eighteen dollars was added to the piano fund.

UNCLE JOSH

Lovell's Locals

Benjamin Speidel and family arrived Tuesday morning. Mr. Speidel will superintend the Dickenson ranch. He is here to stay. Mr. Dickinson will be here about the 20th of May and remain with us the greater part of his time.

Mrs. Underhill arrived Friday morning. We were all glad to have one return, who is so kind and pleasant. She carries sunshine where ever she goes.

Mr. C. V. Ferson of Toledo, came up Saturday, and is buying some stock for his ranch. Mr. Ferson is very well pleased with the outlook.

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The potato situation seems to be pretty dubious, with indications that it will end unusually early. We understand that Starks has already pulled out here and at other points along the line. The remaining dealers, some of whom are preparing to quit, are paying 18c for such stock as they can get orders for, but are not inclined to indulge speculatively at any price. New potatoes from the south are on the markets unusually early and demoralizing the conditions so far as last season's stock is concerned and it looks now as though it will be but a short time that there will be any market at all.—Kalkaska Leader.

Blizzard Stops all Shipments of Ore.

Escanaba, Mich., April 13.—As a result of a continuous blizzard for two days, all ore shipping operations at the Escanaba docks are suspended. Ore in the dock pockets is frozen solid. Notwithstanding that all docks are filled with boats, not a pound of ore has been run in two days. The temperature is close to zero.

"Thaw Had no Defense"

Ann Arbor, Mich., April 13.—Prof. Robert E. Bunker, recognized as one of the best law authorities at the U. of M. in lecturing to his class on the Thaw trial, said:

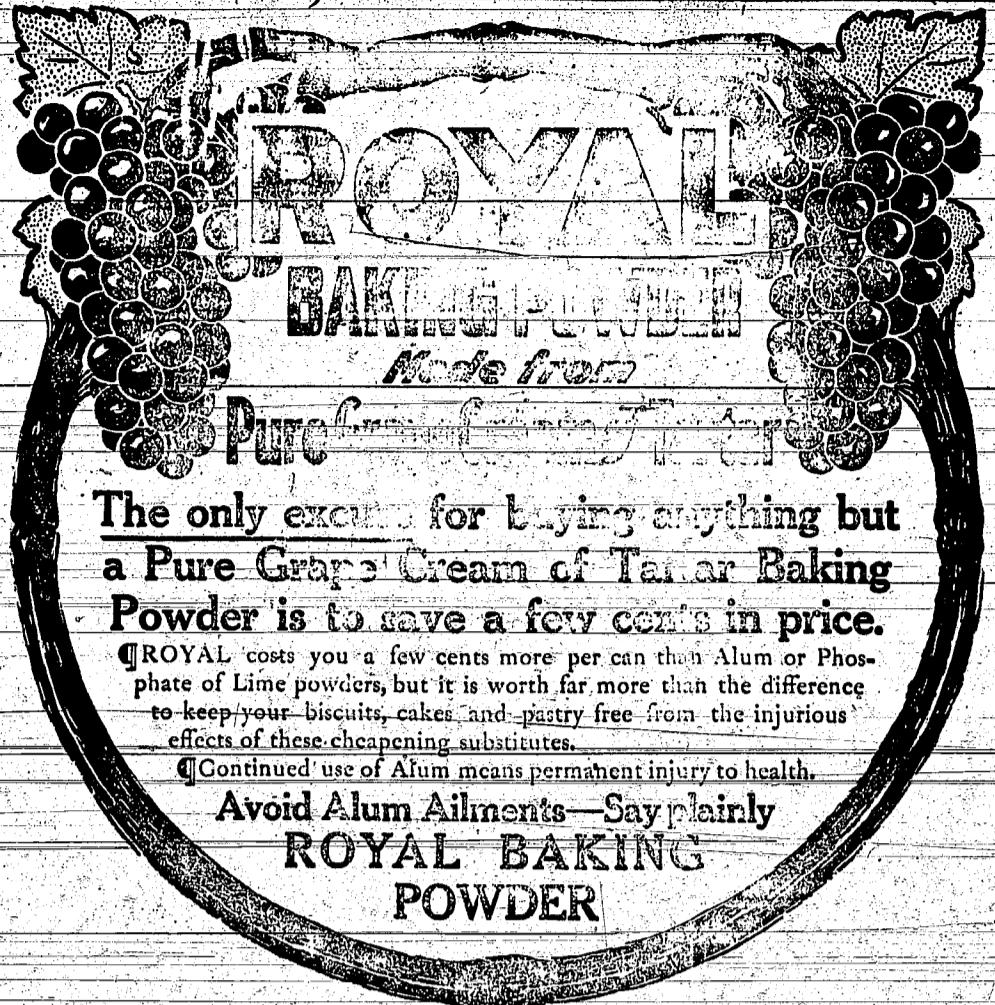
"The Thaw had not the shadow of a defense under the law. Judged solely on the law there could be nothing else but a conviction. But there are emotions to be appealed to in men and the defense had taken advantage of this. Mr. Delmas staged the defense well. He has shown himself a clever producer of effects, and the staging to produce effects was carried to the extent of designing the costume of the chief witness for the defense when she gave her story to the jury.

All special lines of defense as 'emotional insanity' and 'unwritten law' have been all bosh. The defense did the only thing possible, and that was to appeal to the emotions of the jury."

Young as it is 1907 has already piled up a most appalling list of disasters both by land and sea that will make it a record breaker if the pace thus far set is kept up throughout the twelve months of its existence. The railroads especially seem to be under the bat of some sinister immense, one horror following another with such frequency

that one hardly becomes familiar with the gruesome details of a smashup on one line before another on some other road supplants it in the public mind. The much vaunted block system in several bad wrecks during the year seem to have proved totally ineffective as preventatives of collisions, while too high a rate of speed seems to have been responsible for at least two others.

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Violin and Piano Solo..... Agnes Sorenson and Agnes Hanson

Song..... Miss Olson

Reading..... Sie Duryea

Trio..... Miss Olson, Messrs. Bradley and Graven

Piano Solo..... Martha Joseph

Methodist Church.

Morning services at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "Until he was taken up," or "Forty days between Earth and Heaven."

Sunday School at the close of the morning service.

Junior League from 3 to 4 P. M.

Epworth League at 6.

All are cordially invited.

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All are invited.

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25¢ Satisfaction guaranteed at L. Fournier druggist.

Presbyterian Church.

Sabbath, April 21st.

10:30 A. M. Preaching.

11:30 A. M. Sabbath School.

6 P. M. C. E. Meeting.

Topic: "Wise ways to read wise books."

Mrs. Bertha Winslow is the leader.

7 P. M. Preaching.

7 P. M. Wednesday evening, midweek prayer meeting.

You are cordially invited to attend all the meetings.

How a Child's Life was Saved.

G. A. Baker, Carney, Mich., writes:

"My little girl caught a cold that lasted over a year. We employed three doctors, none could help her. She got so weak she could not stand. We used Warner's White Wine of Tar. It cured her. Millions of such cases terminated in consumption. For sale at the Central Drug Store.

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The Result of Typhoid Fever.

Mrs. E. Ives, of Coldwater, Mich.,

says: "Typhoid fever left me with a serious trouble—with my throat and lungs. Dr. Warner's White Wine of Tar Syrup cured me." For sale at the Central Drug Store.

Sale of State Tax Lands.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

AUDITOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,

Lansing, April 1, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that certain lands situated in the county of Crawford, bid off to the State for taxes of 1905 and previous years, and described in statements which will be forwarded to the office of the Treasurer of said County, and may be seen at his office, according to the day of sale, will be sold at public auction by said Treasurer at the County Seat, on the first Tuesday of May next, at the time and place designated for the Annual Tax Sale, if not previously redeemed or cancelled according to law. Said statements contain full description of each parcel of said lands.

JAMES B. BRADLEY,

april 5th Auditor General.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY APR. 18

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year. IN ADVANCE. If your time up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Read Sorenson's new ad.

Attend the box social at the school house, to-morrow evening.

FOR SALE—Garland air-tight stove. Apply at this office.

Go to C. J. Hathaway for scientific optical work. Eyes examined free.

Highest market price paid for hides.

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25 lb. pails of International Stock Food \$3.00 at Fournier's Drug Store.

Fine watch repairing done at Hathaway's.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next years reading at once.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Forbes are enjoying a visit from his sister, Mrs. A. Northrup of Owosso.

Fresh butter and eggs just received from the country.

H. PETERSEN.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the store of Salling, Hanson and Company.

To our advance paid subscribers we will send the New York Tribune Farmer for 50 cents. Regular price \$1.00 and worth five to any progressive farmer.

It is reported that F. S. Burgess is going into the market business again at Wolverine, where he will be associated with Medes Charron.

Prof. Benkleman was shaking hands with old friends here one day last week. He enjoys his new lumber business and his new home at Owosso.

FOR SALE—3 good work horses, one of them a mare—with colt also harness and two good wagons. Inquire or

PETER LARSON.

Conductor Andy Balhoff has had a week lay off from his train, by reason of erysipelas, but is said to be recovering nicely.

S. Phelps Jr. has bought the South Side Market, stock and business, and will go it alone. Everybody will wish "Sam" the best of success.

All persons who are ever clamoring for a change, could be fully accommodated here for the last ten days, so far as the weather is concerned.

J. D. Countryman has moved from the county house, of which he has had charge the past two years, and will live in Mrs. Love's house on Spruce street.

Some one has left a fine pair of gold bowed spectacles in this office. As the lens is too old for our use we would like the owner to call and get them.

It is now advanced as a sober scientific theory that deep and serious thinking is the cause of disease. Notice what a large percentage of us are healthy?

The weather man certainly made a mistake and handed out April in place of March, and then thinking the present was the best time to get it off his hands sent old March along.

The man who purchased the Wolverine Express or went thru the motions of buying it abandoned his post last week and for the present Wolverine is without a paper.—Otsego Co. News.

Dr. Underhill and wife of Lovell, arrived here from the east last week, the Dr. being very sick on their arrival, and developing a terrible case of erysipelas. He is reported some better, but not yet safely convalescent.

When your pump needs repairing, please call on H. R. Nelson. Jobs promptly and satisfactorily done, charges reasonable. Leave orders at the creamery, south end of red bridge.

APRIL 18

W. Stewart, ex-supervisor of Beaver was in town Monday, with the storm. He thought it was summer when he left home in the morning but found good January weather here.

Lew Moffit, formerly a Grayling "Lightning Jerker," now traveling for the Cheboygan Flour Mill Co. was in town Monday in their interest. He is as jolly as ever and a little fatter.

Charles Starnard has had about three months lay off from the railroad on account of LaGripp and its variations. While not yet able to go back to the train, he begins to walk about town without wobbling, and will soon be all right.

"What a happy world this would be," says the poet, "if life were all June time." If life were all June time, four-fifths of all the people in the world would be mad and unhappy because they couldn't have snowball puddings three times a week for dinner. You can not make happiness with June. June doesn't have anything to do with happiness unless the June time is in your heart.

Mrs. L. Fournier returned Monday from a visit to Arthur at the University at Notre Dame, Ind. and friends in Ohio.

After visiting the scene of the fire Lewis Jenson has decided to rebuild his sawmill at Mangum, near Marquette, that went up in smoke a short time ago.

Wm. Wallace and wife were up from Roscommon the last of the week for a day's visit. He has engaged as electrician for that village for another year, at an advanced salary, which means that he is giving satisfactory service.

Last week, Frank Tromble, with his Aunt, Mrs. Stevens of Bay City, started for Van Couvers Island on the Pacific coast of Canada, where Mrs. Stevens will join her husband in their new home. It will be a grand experience for Frank, whose whole life has been passed in this village. He bears with him the best wishes of our citizens.

Mr. Potter, at Horrigan's Switch, came near losing his house by fire last Sunday. It probably caught from a passing engine, in the roof and burned out about eight by twelve feet but was extinguished by packing snow in front of the fire on the outside and the judicious use of water in the chamber. An April snow was a good thing for him.

Nearly every one predicted an early spring but it has just simply turned out the other way. Nearly all the summer birds are here or have been. Poor things, they have had many a cold lunch lately. Well take it all around we can put up with a little cold far better than getting off the top of our houses in the middle of the night in a boat and then see everything float away, so don't grumble.

Sabbath School was resumed for the summer in Beaver Creek, last Sunday, with an attendance of forty for the first meeting and more to follow. H. E. Moon was elected Superintendent; Miss Margaret Lee, Sec.; Miss Eva Benedict, Treasurer; and T. Webster, Librarian. Mrs. Laura Moon, Mrs. Mary Stewart, Mrs. D. Annis, and Alta Brott were elected teachers.

It was a good beginning and promises good for that community.

According to the present understanding President Roosevelt will reach Lansing, Mich., where he is to make a speech before the students of the Michigan Agricultural College, at 9:30 A. M., on May 31, and leave in the afternoon of the same day for Washington. The President had a talk with Rep. S. W. Smith, of Michigan, who represents President Snyder of the agricultural college, about the trip yesterday.

According to the census reports, 1,750,000 children between the ages of 10 and 15 years, are working for a living in this country, in fields, factories and mines, and as messenger boys. Still we boast of our prosperity, and of our universal education.—While our missionary societies are raising funds for the conversion of foreign heathens, what are churches and the little red school house doing for the conversion of our people at home?

If any citizen of the United States is lacking in that kind of wisdom which is to be gathered from the general daily newspapers, he can not possibly excuse himself under the plea of a lack of supply. A recent bulletin published by the census bureau at Washington states that there are 19,624,573 copies of daily newspapers, or one for every four persons, turned out each week-day in this country.

On Sundays the number printed is 11,539,521. The total amount charged for advertising in 1905 was \$145,531,811. The capital invested in printing and publishing is \$384,021,359.

The most deadly instrument known to mortal man is the human tongue. Dynamite is not in it as a prostitute breeder. It is the hair trigger of the freer action. It goes on the slightest provocation. It strikes heavier blows than a prize fighter or a mule kicking down hill. It causes more heart aches than a tax collector. A tongue can make a sore spot for years. The crimes chargeable to the tongue are criticism, unkindness, gossip, lying, scandal, malice and hate, the aggregate of sorrow and murder.

It is not easy to learn to keep a household account book all at once. A young husband gave his wife a neat little account-book prettily bound and designed to be inviting in appearance. He also gave her fifty dollars and said:

"I want you to put it down on this side and on the other side write down the way it goes, and in two weeks I will give you another supply." Two weeks later he asked for the book. "Oh, I have kept that account," said the young matron, "here it is." And on one page was inscribed: "Received from Fred fifty dollars," and on the opposite was the summary, "Spent it all."

A contemporary says that it should be remembered that the newspaper is for everybody and hence must publish something for everybody. If you see something which is of little interest to you, remember "there are others" and that the entire paper is not printed especially for you. The very thing that is dull and uninteresting to you may be the best thing in the paper for some other reader, and other readers have just a much right to be pleased as you have. There are whole pages in the paper that are of no interest to us, but they are to others. A paper which contained but such matter as would interest any particular one of us would have a very limited number of readers. There are many people of many minds and the paper must have something for each.

S. C. Briggs of Roscommon was transacting business in town Tuesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ostrander, Wednesday, April 10th a daughter.

Edison Phonographs cleaned, adjusted and repaired. Rates reasonable. April 18-21 F. FREBLAND.

As we go to press, Wednesday, the supervisors are in special session organizing for their year's work.

The date of the box Social at the high school has been changed to Friday evening April 19. Read the program.

M. Brenner of Lewiston is opening an establishment over Kraus & Son's store, for cleaning, dyeing and repairing mens clothing.

George Mahon is home for the short vacation of the University. He is looking sprightly as ever and as though his studies were agreeable.

The German professor believes that the day is coming when men can exchange heads with the field of surgery. That seems to be the last hope for some men with plenty of money and no brains.

Our houses are burned up by slow decay—from lack of adequate paint protection, to every one that is destroyed by fire. Preserve your buildings with Patten's Sun Proof Paint.

Sold by Sorenson's Furniture Store.

Governor Warner has designated Friday, May 3, as Arbor Day. We hope our citizens will recognize the day, and that all the year they will continue the good work of beautifying our village with trees.

N. P. Buck is pulling the earth from under his block on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Cedar Street. He will move the building east to the street line and put another store on the west side, with full basement under the whole.

"The Woman of Mystery" as presented at the opera house Tuesday evening, by Miss Courtney Morgan was perhaps the best play ever presented to a Grayling audience, and the best sustained in all its parts. Miss Morgan proving herself a star. The house was crowded, as the play deserved.

An earthquake exceeding in length of duration that of San Francisco, is reported from Mexico, the 15th. The cities of Chilpancingo, Chiapas and Texcoco are thought to be destroyed and considerable damage done to the city of Mexico. The whole country is panic stricken and fleeing from the cities.

Married at the residence of David Monfou, in this village, Wednesday, April 10, Joseph H. Collin and Arilla Seymore of Standish, Mich., Justice John J. Niederer, officiating.

The groom was a former resident of this village, and is now in the employ of the Michelson, Hanson Lumber Co. at Lewiston.

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Athletic contests, and championships as well, are not confined entirely to men at the University. Miss Emily Stark, a junior student in the medical department recently excelled the world's record for women in the high jump, held by a Vassar student, by a leap of 4 feet 3 inches. The record however was not allowed to stand, as much as it was made on the fourth trial. Miss Margaret Turner, '08, also put the 6 lb. shot 28 ft. 10 1/2 in., the best that has been done for several years.—University News Letter. Miss Stark was a former student of our high school and always lively.

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TERRIBLE CONDITIONS IN FAMINE DISTRICTS OF CHINA.

TEN MILLION Persons Suffer from Lack of Food and American Aid Is Asked—Insurance Order Owed from Ohio.

Five thousand persons are dying daily from starvation and conditions are growing worse, according to telegrams received at Shanghai, China, from agents in the famine district. Whole families have been found dead in their houses from lack of food, and bodies are seen lying by the roadside. Ten million persons are suffering from a lack of food and facing starvation. Americans are urged to give \$8,000,000 in the next few weeks to help in the relief work. It is suggested that they cable money to the American consul in Shanghai, James Linn Rodgers, as supplies can be purchased in Shanghai. A dollar, the relief committee reports, will save one life until the harvest, June 25, and \$10,000,000 is needed. The Chinese government and people up to date have contributed over \$4,000,000 for famine relief, and the sum received from all foreign sources total \$40,000,000, including the supplies on their way from America. Fifty missionaries with the higher class of Chinese are engaged in overseeing the relief distributions. The telegraph officials are carrying free all messages to and from the relief stations, and the steamship companies are furnishing free transportation for supplies of food, aid for the sufferers.

BASE BALL STANDING.

Games Won and Lost by Clubs in Principal Leagues.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

W. L. W. L.

Chicago . . . 0 Brooklyn . . . 1

Boston . . . 1 New York . . . 0

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LODGE IN FINANCIAL STRAITS.

Death Claims Said to Be \$150,000 and Funds \$3,000.

Coincident with the filing in the Circuit Court in Columbus, Ohio, by Attorney General Wade H. Ellis of a suit in quo warrant to oust the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of Ohio from doing business in the State, the lodge filed an answer admitting the truth of the charges made and consenting to the stay of the petition. It is said the lodge has death claims against it amounting to \$150,000 and its funds are only \$3,000.

See Child Die in His Arms.

"Dana, kiss me," said John Hoffman, 12 years old, leaping into the arms of her father, John Hoffman, at their home in Camden, N. J. Hoffman drew her to him and kissed her. Then as he held her in his arms he saw her cheeks pale and her eyes grow dim and she fell against his breast. A moment later the child was dead. The coroner said her death was due to heart disease.

SIX-MILLION Merger Announced.

A six-million merger with a capital of \$22,500,000 has been announced in New York. The merger thus far includes the York and Monmouth Glass Co., which mills at Carlisle, Fleetwood, Kurtz-tower and Reynoldsdale, Pa.; the glass-claser in the American Silk Manufacturing Company of New York. Plans under way for the merging of a total of thirty mills, principally in Pennsylvania.

Standard Oil Company Convinced.

Twelve jurors in the United States District Court in Chicago found the Standard Oil Company of Indiana guilty of accepting illegal rates from the Chicago and Alton Railroad, as charged in 1,102 counts of the indictment on which the corporation has just been tried.

Should the verdict stand Judge Landis can impose aggregate fines of \$29,240,000, or \$20,000 on each count.

Hough Is Denied Clemency.

The Ohio prison board has refused clemency to Dr. Oliver Hough of Dayton, who murdered his mother, father and brother. The application was made on the ground that Dr. Hough was condemned. He will appeal to the Governor. He is condemned to die on April 19.

University Building Burned.

The Ripley Building, one of the largest and most important structures at Baker University, Baldwin, Kan., was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$60,000, insurance \$15,000.

Egyptian Governor Resigns.

Lord Cromer, Great Britain's plenipotentiary on the Nile, who reclaimed great sections of Egypt, has been forced by ill health to resign his position.

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Flees from Fortune Hunters.

Dorothy Edgerton Crouse, a girl of 20, who is heiress to \$4,000,000, has fled from New York to Paris to escape fitted fortune hunters who pursued her in America.

Plain Verdict of Murder.

The jury in Bonduji, Minn., which has been trying Paul Fournier for the murder of N. O. Dahl and his daughter in April, 1904, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, the penalty of which is death. James Wesley is also under conviction for the same crime.

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DR. WILEY'S DIET GAUGES.

Latest and Most Practical Conclusions Reached by Experts.

Some of the latest and most practical conclusions which Dr. H. M. Wiley, chemical expert of the Department of Agriculture, has reached on the subject of eating, for health and strength, were aired by him in a statement before the House committee on expenditures for the Agricultural Department. When asked by Chairman Littlefield what he regarded as the best food for a man to eat, Dr. Wiley replied:

"I think a man ought to choose his own diet. Lots of people are vegetarians. I think we eat too much meat for health. For the sustenance of physical exertion if you have lived work to do there is nothing better than starch or sugar. The cereating nations can endure more physical toll than the meat-eating nations. That is not the accepted view, but it is true. You cannot live out a Japanese who eats rice. He will draw you around the town on a pound of rice and he is fresh at the close of the day as when he started. You could not do that on a pound of meat to save your life."

As to the much-advertised nerve and brain foods, Dr. Wiley thought these absurdities, as also the idea of getting fat on drugs. On the contrary, he said, most of them have a degrading effect. For instance, a man will fatten for a time on arsenic, but if kept up the treatment soon causes death.

Dr. Wiley is also authority for the statement that every man eats every day 1 per cent of his weight in dry food, so that it requires 100 days for him to "eat his own head off." This at least is the average for the normal individual. If he eats less than this amount he will lose weight; if he eats more he will gain. The doctor thinks that every person should consume a total in liquids and solids of 4½ pounds per day.

Referring to the necessity of maintaining a high condition of physical energy, Dr. Wiley says: "A man may drink a glass of typhoid germs if he is in vigorous health and may not get typhoid fever, because his system may throw off the poison, but if he is broken down one of the germs will produce typhoid." Not a man but has a phenomenal power in his mouth; it will affect the healthy being, but let a manager a cold and it will take its seat in his lungs."

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JURY FAILS TO AGREE IN GREAT MURDER TRIAL.

Famous Legal Battle Lasts for Three Months—Proceedings Have Been Eagerly Followed by Reading Public in Two Continents.

The Thaw jury disagreed, and the long trial of the murderer of Stanford White ended without result. Thaw was remanded to the Tombs without bail to await a new trial. His second trial, however, cannot take place for some time—a year, perhaps. Thus closed the most remarkable trial in New York's criminal annals.

The trial cost the State, it is said,

not less than \$78,000. How many times that sum it cost the defense may never be known, though conservative estimates place it at \$235,000. And at its close matters stand just where they did before. The jury was out over forty-seven hours, and on the eighth and last ballot stood seven for murder in the first degree, which would carry with it the death penalty, and five for acquittal on the ground of insanity.

Events moved swiftly and thrillingly in the last day of the great Thaw trial in New York. For Thaw and for those who were hoping for his acquittal it was the most soul-stirring ordeal of the twelve weeks which the trial had lasted. Upon the heels of District Attorney Jerome's closing address, nearly every word of which was like the blow of a lash on Thaw and his girl wife, Justice Fitzgerald charged the jury in a manner that seemed to dry up every vestige of hope for Stanford White's slayer. And then the case was given to the jury.

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Michigan State News

PLAN MODEL MINING TOWN.

Work Is Begun In Virgin Forest Near Negauke.

Where there is now a virgin forest, the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Company has commenced the work of laying out a new town in the Swartzend district that within a few years will become an important mining center. It is the intention to found a model community patterned somewhat after the new city of Colgate, which the steel corporation is establishing at the western end of the Mesabi region in Minnesota, and as a step in that direction the Boston landscape architectural firm of which Warren H. Manning is the head has been commissioned to supervise in plotting the town. Building work will not commence for some weeks and in the meantime the streets will be laid out and other preliminaries disposed of. The town will be convenient to three new mines of the company—the Princeton, Austin and Smith—and with other properties likely to be opened in the same vicinity there is assurance of substantial growth.

ADRIEN ON STORMY LAKE.

Machinery-of-Launch-In Which Are Two Men Given Way.

Frank Soldiers of Muskegon and Charles A. Parkel of Charlevoix had a narrow escape in a storm on Lake Michigan when the small launch in which they were going from Muskegon to Charlevoix broke down off Muskegon harbor. After the machinery gave way the wind carried the small craft rapidly out into the lake.

Just before dark the plight of the two men was discovered by the lookout on the life-saving station and a hasty call was sent to the tug Trio. By the time steam had been gotten up on the tug darkness covered the lake and it was only after several hours' search in the heavy sea that the disabled launch was found. The boat was nearly full of water when the rescuers arrived and in a short time would have gone to the bottom.

JUDGED FOR FATAL CRIM.

Firebug Sets Fire to Odd Fellows Hall—Partially Destroyed.

Another attempt to destroy Tuscola village was discovered at noon the other day. The residents noticed flames issuing from Odd Fellows' temple, which was formerly the Hopkins hotel, the oldest hotel in the neighborhood. The blaze was extinguished by a bucket brigade, but not before the east end of the building had been ruined. It is believed the fire was set during the night, as no one was seen about the building during the day. The loss falls on Mother Lodge, L. O. P., the oldest lodge in the country. Two weeks previously a house and a hotel barn were set on fire the same night. Two months ago an attempt was made to burn the hotel. The town is all stirred up over the matter, fearing the destruction of the place by fire at any time.

FUNERAL OF CORPSE ALIVE.

Michigan Man "Dead" Eight Days, Returns Little Appearance.

The burial of Ernest Cobb of Millington has been postponed indefinitely, and his father says it will not take place until decomposition sets in. Although it is several days since Cobb "died," according to the doctors, the body still retains its lifelike appearance. The other night it was taken from the coffin and tests were made by physicians. The jaws and eyes were opened and when released they closed immediately. Heat was applied to one foot and the flesh blistered like that of a live person. When the body was laid with the head hanging down, the blood could be seen to rush to the ears.

SECOND CHILD INJURED.

Charles Williams and Wife in Bay City, Are Sorely Afflicted.

On a recent Saturday morning a year-old son of Charles Williams of Bay City died from loss of blood, physicians being unable to stop the flow of blood caused in the root of the child's mouth caused by falling upon a hook. Monday morning a 7-year-old son tripped upon a stick while playing on the street and fell. The point of the stick penetrated the child's stomach, and physicians announced that they could do nothing to save his life, blood poisoning having developed.

BODY OF BABE FOUND.

Grand Rapids Officers Believe Child Victim of Foul Play.

In the abandoned stone quarry at Eleventh and Division streets, Grand Rapids, partially filled with stagnant water and all manner of dirt and rubbish, the body of a newborn babe was found. A woman was about to dump a quantity of rubbish upon the embankment when she noticed the twisted little form lying half submerged in the water. Foul play was suspected.

Woman Takes Laudanum.

Mrs. William W. Morrison attempted suicide in Kalamazoo by taking laudanum. She is in a critical condition. The woman and her husband had trouble and Mrs. Morrison packed a gun and said that she was going to leave home forever. The husband ran after her and begged and cried and she returned to their three children. The two of them were getting the evening meal together when she took the poison.

Lives with severed Windpipe.

John Boyle, Escanaba wonderman, cut his throat but is alive. The windpipe was severed but prompt medical aid probably will save his life.

Richland Farmer Hangs Himself.

Frank Clark, a prominent farmer living in Richland township, hanged himself while despondent over his temperate habits. Clark went to the woods in the rear of his house and tied a rope over a limb. His neck was broken. Clark was 60 years old and leaves a widow and one son.

Detroit Icemen Lower Price.

Large stocks of natural ice and the prospective competition of artificial ice have led the Detroit companies to voluntarily reduce the price of ice for this season about \$2 per cent under last year. Seven twenty-five pound pieces per week will cost the householder \$2 per month.

Will Plow by Steam.

A. M. Todd has determined to use the traction engine on his peppermint farm in Allegan county, and has placed an order for an engine with tires five feet wide. The engine will pull twenty plows and will break thirty acres of land daily.

NEW PRAYER CHAIN.

Religious Enthusiast Is Making Trouble for Postoffice Department.

Some religious enthusiast in Michigan whose name and place of residence are not given by the officials of the Postoffice Department has broken out afresh in his endeavor to start a great "prayer chain."

The postal authorities thought they had effectively split the chain some time ago, but the religious fever has gotten the better of the Michigan man and he does not propose that the cause he represents shall be allowed to smolder, accordingly a perfect avalanche of letters have been pouring into all parts of the country, to which the postal officials are endeavoring to put a stop. The writer of the chain has adopted the mail-order method of business to the furtherance of plenty of employ; if the muttered imprecations of the overburdened mail-man are taken into consideration. The officials of the Postoffice Department are helpless in their effort to stop the sending of the letters written by the Michigan man. The only thing they can do is to appeal to the wisdom of the American people to bring it to a stop.

CUPID ROHS NAVY.

Michigan Student Keeps Wedding Secret Until After Graduation.

Preferring a bride to a post in the navy, Earl P. Ordway, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ordway of Battle Creek, announced his marriage to Miss Helen Marjorie Anderson, a niece of Mrs. Charles L. Post. The wedding was quietly celebrated in New York City several months ago Ordway being anxious to graduate from Amherst before allowing his relatives to know of the romance. After spending a few days in Battle Creek Ordway will return to the naval academy where he has a position in the mechanical drawing department. The bride's father is a New York physician.

HOLD UP AND BEAT FARMER.

E. G. Sherman, a retired farmer of Benton Harbor, was robbed of \$38 and severely beaten while seeking the site in Chicago in the company of a negro whose acquaintance he had formed on a train on which he went to the city. Sherman was left lying unconscious on the sidewalk at Thirty-fourth street and Armour avenue where he had been beaten by the negro and another man who joined them while they were sifting the district.

JUDGED FOR FATAL CRIM.

Warrants charging manslaughter were issued by Justice Stein in Detroit for Gateaux Leonard Zant and Street Railways Conductor John Kissane, who were found criminally negligent by the court's jury in connection with the recent collision between a Pontiac omnibus and a car and a Michigan Central train in which James F. Smith was killed and a dozen people injured.

PRESIDENT'S MICHIGAN TRIP SHORT.

It has been arranged that President Roosevelt is to reach Lansing where he is to make a speech before the students of the Michigan Agricultural College, executive and legislative, are necessarily bound by the action of the court and could take no action to separate the Isle of Pines from the parent Republic of Cuba except as an act of war. So far as the United States is concerned, it has judicially yielded possession of the island to Cuba, and it could not regain possession except by force.

THIS DISPOSES OF A TROUBLESOME QUESTION.

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THE BODY OF A MAN DRESSED WELL WITH MONEY, JEWELRY AND WATCH, WAS FOUND IN A GULCH FOUR MILES WEST OF BATTLE CREEK, CUT INTO BITS.

Trainmen say that train passed over the corpse all night long, the morning train crew discovering the victim. Identification has proven impossible thus far, the body being cut in two, most of the head being gone.

THE BODY OF JOHN BOYLE, WHO DISAPPEARED JAN. 22, WAS FOUND IN SUNRISE PARK NEAR MICHIGAN CITY.

Charles Williams and wife in Bay City, are sorely afflicted. On a recent Saturday morning a year-old son of Charles Williams of Bay City died from loss of blood, physicians being unable to stop the flow of blood caused in the root of the child's mouth caused by falling upon a hook. Monday morning a 7-year-old son tripped upon a stick while playing on the street and fell. The point of the stick penetrated the child's stomach, and physicians announced that they could do nothing to save his life, blood poisoning having developed.

BEST RIDERS DESTROY CROP.

Kukla Methods Revived in Fight Against Tobacco Trust.

Instead of a tobacco war, real way out with shooting and bludgeoning is liable to grow out of the strained situation in western Kentucky over the tobacco fight.

Southern independent or unorganized growers are tired of having their tobacco barns dynamited or burned and their tobacco seedlings destroyed by night riders, and are open in their threats to begin reprisals. Damage to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars has been done in the last few months by methods involving the kukla.

All this is because certain tobacco growers refuse to band themselves with organizations which are fighting the tobacco trust by holding their tobacco at an upper price. There is deep resentment against the trust. To denounce it in violation of the organized growers' program invited midnight outrages. The authorities are becoming alarmed at the prospect of a more serious situation as the result of prolonged lawlessness.

The state government has been repeatedly called upon to afford protection, but has only caused the arrest of three alleged incendiaries. The state fire marshal has made repeated visits to the district without being able to check the outrages, which are committed almost publicly by mounted bands of men.

This is the planting season, and night riders are sure enough to night burn warehouses and tobacco factories, sowing grass seed in the tobacco nursery beds, or sowing them with salt, or raising them over, ruining the very foundation of some little farmer's hopes of a crop this year.

Albert Williams, the last survivor of the sixteen delegates in the "under the oak" convention at Jackson, where the first Republican state ticket was placed in nomination, died in Ionia, aged 90 years. In his later years Mr. Williams was a Democrat.

DETROIT ICEMEN LOWER PRICE.

Large stocks of natural ice and the prospective competition of artificial ice have led the Detroit companies to voluntarily reduce the price of ice for this season about \$2 per cent under last year. Seven twenty-five pound pieces per week will cost the householder \$2 per month.

WILL PLOW BY STEAM.

A. M. Todd has determined to use the traction engine on his peppermint farm in Allegan county, and has placed an order for an engine with tires five feet wide. The engine will pull twenty plows and will break thirty acres of land daily.

THE SUN RISES AGAIN!



GOVERNOR SAVES AGGIE MYERS' NECK.

ISLE OF PINES CUBA'S.

Supreme Court Decides It Is Not American Territory.

The Isle of Pines is not American territory.

The United States Supreme Court so formally declared in a decision announced by Chief Justice Fuller.

This decision by the highest court of the United States apparently disposes of the question of the ownership of the Isle of Pines once and for all.

The treaty between this country and Cuba has not been ratified.

Owing to the decision of the Supreme Court it hardly needs to be ratified now, because both

of the other branches of the government, executive and legislative, are necessarily bound by the action of the

court, and could take no action to separate the Isle of Pines from the parent

republic of Cuba except as an act of war.

So far as the United States is concerned, it has judicially yielded possession of the island to Cuba, and it could not regain possession except by force.

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WILSON'S FISH STORY

"Speaking of strange experiences," said Wilson, as he lighted his pipe at the log fire, "I am reminded by Johnston's fishing story of a most extraordinary one that happened to me some 20 years ago."

"We were hunting moose in the Canadian woods. A howling blizzard had kept us in the lodge—the greater part of the day, and nightfall found us with our pipes in front of a crackling fire."

"At that time," went on Wilson, after we had settled ourselves in comfortable positions, "I was more in love with this whimsical old world than now, and every summer found me at one of the fashionable resorts on the Atlantic coast."

"I had arrived at the age when matrimony was merely a matter of finding a responsive heart, but of all the girls in the circles in which I moved not one appealed to me, nor was my friendship with any more than passing one. Besides a good position in my uncle's banking house I had a comfortable annuity bestowed upon me by my father at his death, and as a result I did not look upon matrimony from a mercenary viewpoint."

"It was in August that I first met her. I was summering at a rather exclusive resort on the coast. She had come with her mother from a southern city, the name of which is no moment in this story."

"Before a week had passed I felt that I had known her for years; at the end of a month she was the only person in my thoughts. I dreamed of her by night and was in misery when not in her company by day. Before her departure I resolved to tell her what was nearest my heart."

"It was the night previous to their leaving for the south. We had left the ballroom and strolled to the pier, which extended far into the water. The ocean was as of glass, and the moon cast a path of silver across its surface as far as the eye could reach."

"What passed between us is unnecessary to relate, but before we left the pier I took from my vest pocket a beautiful diamond solitaire. I had carried it for weeks. Without a word she held out her hand that I might place it upon her finger. Joy had completely unnerved me; for as I reached forth my hand trembled like an aspen. I had just touched the tip of her finger when the ring slipped from my grasp and fell with a tiny splash in the water. For a moment I stood as one turned to stone. Was it an ill omen? Did it mean that, after all, I was not to know the happiness of which I had dreamed? Suddenly I turned to her. She looked into my eyes, placed a hand on my arm and kissed me. And that kiss I knew to be as strong a seal as any ring ever made."

"Wouldn't it be funny if a fish should swallow the ring?" she said playfully, on our way back to the hotel.

"That night the incident haunted me in dreams. I could see the ring dropping through the water, glittering and flashing as it went, when suddenly a fish darted up and closed its jaws over it with a snap."

"When I awoke a cold sweat was on my forehead."

"Well, to make a long story short, I sent her another ring, and the event was arranged for eight months later. Her letters, meanwhile, were filled with hope and encouragement, and the sweet simplicity of the true woman lived in them. They were meat and drink to my soul."

"Fate's decrees are fathomless. Five months later she was taken with fever and died. Then the world began to grow old. Instead of spending my summers at the resorts I took to the woods. I found solace in nature."

"Five years later to a month—it was August, you will remember—relatives insisted upon my spending a few weeks with them at the resort where we first met. I found the place changed considerably, but the old pier was still standing."

"Now comes the strange part of my story. One day we were fishing from the pier close to the place where I had dropped the ring. Ill luck was with the start. For an hour I sat there, my mind flooded with memories, and caring little whether fish were biting or not."

"We were on the point of leaving when there came a terrific jerk on my line and I landed a beautiful seven-pound sea bass. As it lay struggling on the pier, its large mouth distended, there suddenly flashed through my mind the dream of five years before. It was just such a fish that I had seen in my dreams, the fish that had snapped its jaws over my diamond ring."

"We took it to the hotel and had it served for dinner. I had just placed a tender morsel in my mouth and closed my teeth on it when I bit something hard. It felt round and smooth to the tongue. Unobserved I removed it from my mouth and carefully placed it beside my plate."

"Outside the blizzard had ceased. The flames had died down and weird shadows danced about the room. There was no sound save the breathing of the men and the puffing of pipes."

"What do you think it was?" asked Wilson, after a slight pause.

"The ring, of course," I replied. "You're wrong," replied Wilson, slowly, as he knocked the ashes from his pipe. "It was a piece of the backbone of the fish."

MAKE A BLUFF.

If there isn't any pleasure
Waits for you beside the way,
If there's not a thing to gain at
In your journey day by day,
If you've got excuse for kicking
And for stirring up a row,
Don't you do it! Don't you do it!
Just be happy, anyhow.

Just be happy, just be happy!

Take the fiddle and the bow,

Snug it against your shoulder,

Lumber up and let her go,

Till the world is full of music.

And there's joy in every string,

Till you get all outdoors laughing.

And you make the echoes sing.

It's a duty you are owing

To the world to share your feet,

And to lift your voice in singing!

Till the music fills the street;

If the world is dark and gloomy

And you haven't got a friend,

It's your duty to dissemble,

It's your duty to pretend.

If you meet the world a-grimmin'

Then the world will grin at you,

You can laugh the clouds to flinders.

Till the blue sky glimmers through;

If you pretend you're happy,

With your whole heart in the bluff,

Then almost before you know it,

You'll be happy sure enough!

Houston Post.

—

The Family Drug Store.

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Bathing a Baby.

Many fathers stand aloof from the common domestic duties, not because they are so busy or because they are not willing, but because of ignorance. How many men are there who would not gladly drop their business at any time to stay at home and give the baby his bath, if they only knew how!

Yet in reality it is much simpler than it seems. Fill the bathtub full of any good water, first carefully removing all germs. Put your elbow occasionally to see if it is the right temperature. If ice forms on your elbow you may know the water is too cold. If there are blisters then it is too warm. Be moderate in all things.

Take the baby firmly by both feet and shake him loose from his flannel morings, until you begin to see safety pins ahead. Then remove the safety pins with gas nippers, and unroll until the baby looks into sight.

Now, having put on your rubber coat put one hand firmly under the baby's chest and the other on his back, and launch him on the still waters. When he has kicked all the water out of the bathtub renew as before.

Be careful, while you are manipulating the baby, to keep him face down. Otherwise you would not be able to put water anywhere else but in his mouth. Tom Masson, in the March Delineator.

THE RADIANT CHRIST.

The new religion lies in being kind; Faith works for men where once it

knew to pray.

Faith knows but hope where once it

knew despair.

Faith counts its gain where once it

reckoned loss.

Ascending paths its patient feet have

trod.

Man looks within and finds salvation

there.

Release the suffering Saviour from

the cross.

And give the waiting world its radiant

GOD!

Ella Wheeler Wilcox in the Delineator for April.

Learn Independence.

We hear a great deal about the modern girl developing manliness, independence, and losing her femininity. A great many people are much alarmed because girls are not trained, as formerly, in womanly gentleness.

It is a beautiful figure of speech to describe the feminine character as the ivy which clings to the masculine oak for support, and in return covers and beautifies its hideous knots and scars.

But if the oak falls, what becomes of the ivy?

There is too much of this ivy clinging and beautifying idea in training girls. They should be taught that it is just as necessary to be independent, as to be self supporting, as to be able to cling and beautify. In other words, they ought to be able to stand alone if the tree falls, and not go down with its success.

Notice.

To the owner or owners of any and all interests in land and herein described, and to the mortgagees or mortgagors named in all discharged recorded mortgages against said or any assignee thereof of record:

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the county in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land. State of Michigan, County of Crawford.

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Dated August 22, A. D. 1907.

To Wm. R. McLaren, Detroit, Mich. grantee under the last recorded deed, in the regular chain of title, to said land.

Wm. R. McLaren, Detroit, Mich. Mortgaged named in all undischarged recorded mortgages.

OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, Grayling, Michigan, Oct. 16, 1906.

I hereby certify and return that after careful enquiry, I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or post-office address of the executor, administrator or trustee or guardian of said Wm. R. McLaren.

A. BERNARD STILWELL, Sheriff of Crawford County.

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be furnished by local Ticket Agent.

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be furnished by local Ticket Agent.

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